



THE GUARDIAN

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GSDC of Atlanta

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We had such a good time at our March club meeting. It was so good to see several we haven't seen since March 2020 and of course great to see those that have continued to attend. Everyone enjoyed chatting with visitors Justin Moore and Dan Picknell, and we all hope they return!.

We are looking ahead - 2021 show is coming together nicely - still needing trophy pledges; we discussed at the March meeting our 2022 shows and are seriously considering a temperament test and hopefully in 2023 our bid for the Southeast Futurity will be successful.

We plan to return to having a program at our club meetings starting in April. Hope to see you there! (See upcoming events in this newsletter for more information.)

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The premium list for our shows is now available. It will be posted on our website soon, it's also available on the parent club website, and our club Facebook page. Please feel free to share the premium list with others.

The premium list for Fast CAT will be

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OWNER-HANDLED BEST IN SHOW!!



CH Kenlyn Marquis' Vendetta v Seven Hills TC

Detta took Tennessee by storm, winning two Owner-Handled Herding groups, and our first Owner-Handled Best In Show! A huge thank you to the judges that found Detta very worthy, we are absolutely thrilled!

Karena Avila

In Memory of.....

Ch & Int'l Ch. Jomari's American Idol TC

Owner/ Breeder: Joyce Quick

3/08 – 2/21

The first born puppy from a well executed plan of a breeding to a Grand Victor. He was a blessing from the beginning, Although, a reluctant show dog, he did it for me. A magnificent handsome large boned male. Fiercely protective of his car, crate and home yet gentle when out and about. A wonderful producer although only used in my own breeding program I will be forever grateful for the kids and grandkids he has left with me (and hopefully a few more litters in the future). I was blessed with nearly 13 years with this dog, always an extremely healthy dog who was never sick a day in his life and the worse thing he went through was a hotspot! I miss this big guy every day as I see his empty yard now with the gate left open forever more. I know he is up in heaven playing with his two favorite girls Kissy and Tantra. Love you always my big boy! Until we meet again.....





I D O L

Sire:

2007 GV CH Welove DuChien's Army of One ROM

Dam:

Ch Jomari's My Fair Lady



2021 FUTURITY/MATURITY SCHEDULE

Northeast ~ 4/18/2021 ~ GSDC of Southern New Hampshire	
Event#2021009302 Closes: Weds 3/31/2021, 6:00 PM Pacific Time	
Judge: Candee Foss Site: The Boxboro Regency 242 Adams Place, Boxborough, MA 01719	Regional Chair: Kathleen Sawler kqsawler@hotmail.com 603-767-2110
Southeast ~ 4/25/2021 ~ GSDC of North Georgia	
Event#2021009360 Closes: Weds 4/7/2021, 6:00 PM Pacific Time	
Judge: Al Martin Site: Wills Park Equestrian Center 11915 Wills Road, Alpharetta, GA 30009	Regional Chair: Holly Bryan hollybryan1@aol.com 612-239-5293
South Pacific ~ TBD ~ GSDC of the San Gabriel Valley	
Event# Closes: Weds TBD, 6:00 PM Pacific Time	
Judge: Clint Heiman Site: TBD	Regional Chair: Debra Kaser dogsrluv@outlook.com 714 328 1805
Mid Atlantic ~ 5/8/2021 ~ Northern New Jersey GSDC	
Event#2021009356 Closes: Weds 4/21/2021, 6:00 PM Pacific Time	
Judge: Kathy Potter Site: Clinton Elks Lodge, 201 Sidney Rd. Pittstown, NJ 08867	Regional Chair: Mike Begendorf mikesbeg@aol.com 201 - 280 9494
Southwest ~ 5/16/2021 ~ GSDC of Houston	
Event#2021009361 Closes: Weds 4/28/2021, 6:00 PM Pacific Time	
Judge: Steve Bloom Site: Montgomery County Fairgrounds 9055 Airport Rd, Conroe, TX 77302	Regional Chair: Lynn Goswick gsdog@wt.net 409-770-6310
Great Lakes ~ 6/6/2021 ~ GSDC of Detroit	
Event#2021009355 Closes: Weds 5/19/2021, 6:00 PM Pacific Time	
Judge: Edwina Trocki Site: Days Inn Wyndham 9897 Main St Whitmore Lake MI 48189	Regional Chair: Christine Morgan-Baker christinemorgan4357@gmail.com 810 887 8539
Mid West ~ 6/20/2021 ~ Shoreline GSDC	
Event#2021009358 Closes: Weds 6/2/2021, 6:00 PM Pacific Time	
Judge: Charlotte LaRosa Site: Lake County Fairgrounds 1060 E Peterson Rd, Grayslake IL 60030	Regional Chair: Regena Shull rporter601@gmail.com 779-713-9089
Mid Pacific ~ 6/27/2021 ~ Diablo Valley GSDC	
Event#2021009357 Closes: Weds 6/9/2021, 6:00 PM Pacific Time	
Judge: Scott Yergin Site: Fremont Central Park 40000 Paseo Padre Pkwy Fremont CA 94538	Regional Chair: Theresa Royer theresaroyer@hotmail.com (650) 224-6442
Northwest ~ 7/11/2021 ~ GSDC of Greater Eugene OR	
Event#2021009359 Closes: Weds 6/23/2021, 6:00 PM Pacific Time	
Judge: Doug Crane Site: Benton County Fairgrounds 110 SW 53rd St., Corvallis, OR 97333	Regional Chair: Kathy Martin foxtrotgsd@gmail.com 541-760-4978



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Who Will Pay the Pied Piper?

By Barbara Williams

We embark upon this Grand Adventure; certain we can expect miraculously wonderful progeny and we have prepared for any, and all emergencies or unexpected setbacks!

But we are what we are and that is all that we are, to paraphrase Popeye's famous statement: " I am what I am and that's all that I am."

What we truly and honestly and bare bones are is just this: great dreamers and gamblers and deeply thoughtful and serious students and dilettantes and an entire mish mash of human beings, working to create the perfect purebred dog of our choice.

In this case, our choice is the German Shepherd Dog, which, like all intelligent life forms, is basically made up of an extremely complex genetic galaxy full of twists and surprises.

A few dedicated students understand the most basic genetic calculations based on Mendel's study. We can sometimes quote the most obvious of these, make some sense of them, and feel rather full of ourselves for our knowledge. That same knowledge can often throw us incredibly amazing curves in the whelping box, giving rise to such comments as: My stud dog has never produced that problem; it must be coming from your bitch. Where in the devil did that come from? Which one of the parents is responsible for that? Call that stud dog owner and demand an "explanation". Our Champion Sweetie Pie never produced that problem before!

So ... Enter the Dragon (aka the Human Owner quotient) the fragile, ever-vulnerable Human Ego seeks and demands immediate recognition and awards and adoration and absolution of any crimes or culpability, or responsibility.

What they really know exists genetically in their breeding stock or is produced by their past, present, or future Mr. Wonderfals, usually will never see the light of day, or be spoken or even whispered of, covered up as soon as it surfaces.

It will be hidden and protected forever in the deep recesses of their guilt and crimes against the Breed as they are excusing the terrible genetic whelping box revelation as a 'quirk,' a totally 'unknown presence' who's 'unknown' and heretofore 'nonexistent plague,' has never before in the history of their breeding program been seen or experienced.

Quickly now, circle the wagons. All of this excruciating damning information must be buried so deep that no one can misinterpret this 'quirk of nature' as a genetic defect produced by perfect Mr. Wonderful or out of the bloodlines, of the 'Perfect Princess.'

So, the humans involved have wiped their mind's slate clean of their remembrance of any serious defective diseases or conditions or problems in their own bloodlines, especially, those chronic conditions that are treated daily with medications and potions and special diets, and the surgically corrected and perfected ones.

They choose not to admit or consider, or dwell upon the problems, so 'ally-kazzam' the problems do not exist, and they shall flatly deny any existence of genetic health or conformation problems that have been surgically corrected, after all, they all have/throw faults.

By repeating that mantra over and over they have brain- May 2006/ German Shepherd Dog Review IS washed themselves into a very pleasant place and now their very wonderful stud dog can strut his hour upon the stage and bring glory to them as his breeder and/or owner; Miss Perfect Princess can be bred back into her seriously disease compromised line, because, here comes that mantra again, after all, they all throw faults,' and in this line we get winners in every litter! So, whatever it takes! That's what we'll do. Look at Mr. Wonderful!

They are so proud of him! After all, look how beautiful he is! Look how he moves, that is what counts! By God they all throw faults!

Never mind that the faults this adored one throws result in death for some of his tragically affected progeny, sometimes the death being an agonizing one, or a long lingering painful one, robbing them of any kind of quality of a life filled with robust health and action, or perhaps an early euthanasia.

How many heartbroken Masters and mistresses of these highly touted adored progeny will never again give their hearts or pocketbooks to keep these beloved ones alive!

How many will be sacrificed at Mr.Wonderful Stud Dog's altar to get the champions from him? How many more will be whelped by Mrs. Perfect Princess, whose sire, dam and/or siblings were affected with severe diseases, resulting in death or euthanasia?

Their answer? All that it takes! How does this help the Breed exorcise these genetic disasters of ever-growing proportions and consequence? Simply stated: it doesn't.

Too many are all involved in the charade of paying lip service and professing undying love to their chosen breed. They exist inside the circled wagons and share lots of laughter and fun and socializing and after all, that is the purpose of this 'sport,' to provide pleasure and social interaction and fun with their peers.

Anyone who dares question their methods and purpose is 'drummed out of the Corp' and banished to an isolated position.

When disaster strikes in one of their litters, all their accomplices bemoan the 'Fickle Finger of Fate' which has pointed in their direction... Offering condolences as they plan another disastrous mating. The tragically affected whelps which will pay the painful and sometimes ghastly painful price.

After all, we are gamblers, and we must take a gamble to produce these winners. If that's the price we must pay, with some affected littermates, so be it. We are not breeding pets, even though we quickly seek out pet homes for those who do not measure up to the show scene.

Or all the rejects are taken to the vet's with so many problems they must be euthanized. The breeder leaves the unfortunate victims with the vet and goes back to the ones who survive because of their beauty and promise of conformation and gait ... the stars!

Then the ballyhoo really starts. The dead and dying one are forgotten and blamed on fate as sad but are quicky and conveniently put to rest. Unavoidable, because the breeder bred, knowing full well the risks, but gambled and took them anyway. 'After all, they all throw faults!'

Later on, with the surviving stars and winners being paraded in the show ring to the oohs and ahhs of the adoring crowd and swelling head and chests and egos of the breeders, all seems worth it to them.

Now these beautiful stars and winners will be bred, often very close breedings, setting in concrete the genetic dynamics and terrible diseases they carry.

Some of these stars will die young, as their genetic dragons overtake them. Some will survive and produce more genetic dragons.

So, you may ask ..."Who will pay the piper?" The answer, tragically, is the Breed pays the piper.

The Breed pays in its popularity, in its capacity to perform as beloved, healthy, robust, happy companions or as healthy, strong, and willing working companions. It pays with the tears and sadness of those who have suffered as they lost the ones, they had such high hopes for, and as they gravitate to other breeds or sports. The Breed struggles on, dragging behind a terrible weight of the load of genetic dragons it bears. And who is responsible? The breeders are responsible!

Next time you plan a breeding, look long and hard into the health and longevity and reproductivity of those you plan to mate. Give a serious thought to the first-generation sires and dams and siblings and aunts and uncles of these partners. Stress the HEALTH and longevity, as seriously as you stress the conformation and movement of the pair.

Become a deadly gene dragon slayer. Work for your Breed, not against it! You know in your heart who will pay the piper.

**Happy Birthday to our club members with
March birthdays!!**

Mindi Kelley-Chase



LARGE COOLER FREE TO A GOOD HOME

**The Club has a VERY large cooler
that needs a new home.**

**Disclaimer: Both lid straps are broken but does not affect
the cooler functioning.**

**Please contact Ren Lewis at renlewis1@gmail.com if you
want the cooler.**

The Club has decided to sell several items we have in our inventory. The first item shown below sells on Amazon for \$54.99, we have three of these and are asking \$25/each. The second item shown below has a sticker of \$19.99, we have two of these and are asking \$10/each. All items are new and in the original boxes.

Contact Ren Lewis at renlewis1@gmail.com if you are interested in any of these items. (I can deliver to next club meeting on April 8th)

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UPCOMING EVENTS

CONFORMATION

**GSDC of North Georgia
Wills Park in Alpharetta, GA
April 23 & 24, 2021**

**Friday—Judy Rita Sandell (4-6 Puppy, Jr Showmanship, Breed)
Saturday AM—Judge Candee Foss (4-6 Pupy, Jr Showmanship, Breed)
Saturday PM—Judge Lorry Bellah (4-6 Puppy and Breed)
(Closes April 7th)**

**Southeast Futurity/Maturity, April 25, 2021
GSDC of North Georgia
Wills Park in Alpharetta, GA
On Line entries at www.dogzibit.com
Judge: Al Martin
(Closes April 7th)**

**GSDC of Atlanta, Inc.
&
Augusta GSDC
Combined Specialties
May 21-23. 2021
Radda's K9 Campus in Talking Rock, GA
Friday PM –Judge Anita Clous (4-6 Puppy, Breed)
Saturday AM—Judge Ken Rayner (Breed)
Judge Jackie Rayner (4-6 Puppy)
Saturday PM—Judge Michael Cheeks (4-6 Puppy, Breed)
Sunday AM—Judge Butch Stiefferman (4-6 Puppy, Jr Showmanship, Breed)**

Premium Lists for all shows are on the parent club website.

www.gsdca.org

**NEXT CLUB MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021
ALDO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT
RSVP JEVANS0107@GMAIL.COM**

Please join us on April 8th for a program on bloat.

Kevin Winkler DVM, DACVS of BluePearl Hospital as agreed to join us at Aldo's Italian Restaurant to provide our members, and guests, with valuable information on bloat. We strongly encourage all members to attend, and certainly those folks that are somewhat new to GSDs. Visitors are welcome, please rsvp (see below).

Dr. Winkler is Board Certified in Veterinary Surgery.

Please join us at 7pm if you'd like to join us for dinner. The club meeting and program will begin promptly at 8pm.

We respectfully request that you RSVP directly to Joye Evans at jevans0107@gmail.com. Please let her know if you will attend dinner and the program, OR if you're coming for the program only. We will need to provide Aldo's with a headcount no later than the day before.

Sorry but no dogs allowed since we're meeting at a restaurant.

GSDC of Atlanta reserves the right to visit your dog facilities prior to acceptance for membership.



Membership Application

Membership Dues 1st Year: \$55 Individual \$65 Household
 (Membership Dues Each Year Thereafter -\$40 Individual; \$50 Household) Check/payment must accompany application.
 Make check payable to: The German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta, Inc.

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Joined GSDCAtl

PLEASE PRINT Last Name First Name Telephone communicate via USPS mail only

Address City

Occupation E-Mail address *I/We authorize the GSDC of Atlanta to communicate with me/us via email unless otherwise indicated by checking the box listed above.*

Second Member (Household Membership Only)

Last Name First Name Occupation

Each Member is encouraged to participate in Club activities. Please circle your areas of interest.

Equipment	Telephone	Microchip Clinics	Publicity	Trophies
Newsletter	Hospitality	Training Classes	Matches & Shows	Library

Why do you want to join the German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta? _____

Let us get to know you better.....

Circle any areas in which you have experience: Do you belong to any other dog clubs or animal related organization? (i.e. humane societies, welfare organizations, etc.) Please list:

Obedience Tracking Conformation
 Herding Training Agility _____

Do you have any children living at home? _____ **If so, what are their names?** _____

What other interests, talents or hobbies do you have? _____

Let us get to know your dogs better.... Please complete the back of this form

I/We agree to abide by the ideas espoused by the German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta, Inc. I/We agree to raise and show dogs in the true spirit of the breed, and to follow the rules, Constitution and By Laws of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta, Inc. and the American Kennel Club.

Signature of Applicant Signature of Applicant

Signature of Active Club Member Signature of Active Club Member

Requirement for membership: Prospective members shall be required to attend two of the last six club meetings or one club meeting and one club event before submitting an application to the Board of Directors. Names of applicants will be published in the Guardian 30 days prior to membership consideration.

Date Attended Date Attended



German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc. Application for Membership

There are two types of membership. **Regular Members:** Minimum age of 18 years. Must be in good standing with AKC. Applicant (and renewing members) agrees to abide by the GSDCA by-laws and the Rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club. Two endorsements by current members must be provided by new applicants. Applicant's name will be published in the *German Shepherd Dog Review*. Provided no objections have been filed within 30 days of publication in the *Review*, applicant will be notified that he/she is eligible for all privileges including the right to vote. **Junior Members:** Must be 10 years of age and not more than 18 years of age and shall subscribe to the same criteria as Regular Membership with the exception of the requirement to pay dues. Junior members cannot vote, hold office, or serve on committees other than junior committees.

To apply and pay **ONLINE** with a credit card, please go to gsdca.org/join-the-gsdca/apply-online.
You can **MAIL** this form to Laura Gilbert, 557 Dunning Lane, Chesapeake, VA 23322

Circle Your Desired Membership Type:

Membership Category	Review Delivery	One year	Three year	Five year
Single	Online only	\$45	\$130	\$215
Single	Print & online	\$75	\$215	\$355
Family	Online only	\$70	\$200	\$335
Family	Print & online	\$115	\$325	\$545
Additional delivery charges				
Delivery in poly wrap: \$5.00				
1 st Class delivery: \$36.00				
Outside United States: \$24.00				

Membership Information (please print)

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Date of Birth: _____ (Juniors Only)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP/ Postal Code _____

Country: _____ Telephone: _____ Email: _____

For FAMILY Memberships, provide 2nd member information. (Family membership is defined as 2 people living in the same household – principal & one other person).

Last Name _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Telephone _____ Email: _____

What activities do you enjoy with your GSD? (Circle all that apply) Agility Conformation Herding
House Pet Obedience Rally Schutzhund/Working Dog Sport Tracking Other

Endorser 1 Printed
Name & Signature _____

Endorser 2 Printed
Name & Signature: _____

Applicant/ Member Signature: _____ **Date:** _____